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The temperature at 8 o'clock this morning was 48°. Gales have been constant for two days, and many a ship has been overturned at the great Cowes celebration.

Phil Graham called me last night from Washington. We had hoped to have Kay, himself, and one child stay with us, but they now have advanced their visit to August 22, so we shall miss them.

This morning we have been bedeviled again by the Soblen case. The Israeli Government states it cannot survive his being sent to America on its ElAl line. Since there does not seem to be any other way of dealing with him expeditiously, things are for the moment at a standstill. If the British issue a deportation order, his lawyers will protest it. The courts do not sit until September, and therefore he would remain here for some weeks. I telephoned about this to the Legal Section of the State Department this afternoon. The outlook remains opaque.

I lunched at the Bank of England with Lord Cromer and some of his following. I had a long talk with him beforehand. He does not think the Common Market negotiations in too bad shape. He thinks we are too excited over our gold losses. Altogether he was in a relaxed mood, and is in no way predicting disaster for the West.

Messrs. Hoffmire and Joubert of the American Society came to see me about getting a speaker for the Thanksgiving Day dinner. I am writing today to Dixon Wright on this subject, and hope we can secure him.

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I sent off the following telegram this morning:

"For Ball from Bruce.

In aftermath Brussels Conference, feeling here not as pessimistic as one might have expected. On Sunday and on yesterday's Bank Holiday, there were numerous conversations between Prime Minister and leaders. Looks as if Commonwealth Prime Ministers meeting on Sept. 10 will be held.

Today London is deserted. Home is in Scotland, as is RAB Butler. PM is in country house, Caccia in Austria. Heath is preparing White Paper. I am lunching with Heath tomorrow and will report his views.

Everyone is blaming everyone else, but there have been no charges of the US having contributed to the breakup. Suggest we continue to play it cool."